

PATENT
Attorney Docket No.: 501

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Sunil Tomar, et al.)

Serial No.: 09/660,837)

Group Art Unit: 2633

Filed: September 14, 2000)

Examiner: Unassigned

For: METHODS AND APPARATUSES)
FOR SERIAL TRANSFER OF)
SONET FRAMED DATA)
BETWEEN MULTIPLE)
COMPONENTS OF A SONET)
SYSTEM)

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Sir/Madam:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Decision Dismissing Petition for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) (the "Decision") dated November 5, 2001, the period for response to which has been extended through April 5, 2002 by a Petition for Extension of time and fee payment filed contemporaneously herewith.

The above-referenced application was filed on September 14, 2000, with an unexecuted declaration. Sunil Tomar, Arvind Bhaskar Patwardham, and Srinvasarao Neelamraju were named as joint inventors in the application. On November 3, 2000, Applicants were mailed a "Notice to file Missing Parts of Application" (the "Notice") requiring an executed oath or declaration, and a surcharge for late filing. In response to the Notice, Applicants paid the surcharge, and filed a declaration signed by each of the above co-inventors on their own behalf and on behalf of Neelamraju, and filed a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) on January 8, 2001. Applicants' petition was denied in the Decision. On October 1, 2001,

Certification Under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10

I hereby certify that this Request and the documents indicated as attached thereto are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this 22nd March, 2002 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mail Label Number EV094677844US addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Applicants filed for reconsideration and submitted an executed declaration by inventor Srinivasarao Neelamraju. The petition was dismissed stating that the declaration did not include the signatures of all named inventors.

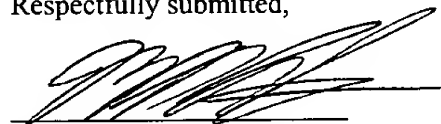
In response to the Decision, Applicants submit herewith an executed declaration of all named inventors to the above-referenced application.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-referenced application be forwarded to the appropriate examining group for further consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 22, 2002

By:



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Attachments: Declaration signed by all named inventors

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